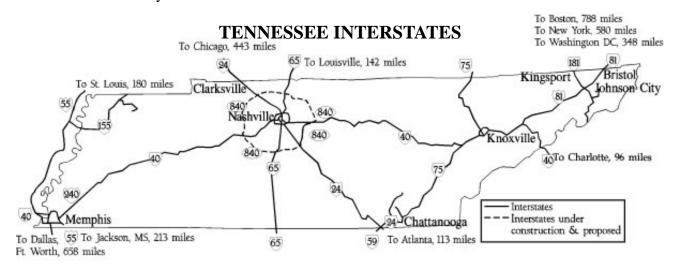
HIGHWAY TRANSPORTATION

Tennessee's extensive highway network provides for efficient transport within state boundaries as well as for direct routes to and from major population centers in every part of the United States. The state's strategic location offers the advantages of six different interstate highways, eight interstate spurs around the major metropolitan areas and an excellent system of federal, state and local highways to link every community. Interconnected streets and roads ensure a smooth flow of traffic within each community.



PUBLIC TRANSIT

Complementing Tennessee's advantages for the transport of people, material, and products is a statewide system of public transit.

Twelve Tennessee cities operate public transit systems providing an accessible labor force for Tennessee's existing and prospective employers. Eleven rural public systems make public transportation services available in all of Tennessee's ninety-five counties. Carpool, vanpool and ride-matching programs operate in and around key urban employment centers. Private enterprise also provides a variety of excellent services -- taxis, airport limousines and intercity bus transportation.

URBAN TRANSIT SYSTEMS

Bristol Tennessee Transit
Chattanooga Area Regional
Transportation Authority
Clarksville Transit System
Gatlinburg Trolley Bus
Jackson Transit Authority
Johnson City Transit System
Kingsport Area Transit System
Knoxville Area Transportation
Memphis Area Transit Authority
Nashville-Metropolitan Transit Authority
Oak Ridge Transit System
Pigeon Forge Fun-Time Trolleys

RURAL PUBLIC TRANSIT SYSTEMS

Delta Human Resource Agency
East Tennessee Human Resource Agency
First Tennessee Human Resource Agency
Hamilton County Rural Transportation
Hancock County Rural Transportation
Mid-Cumberland Human Resource Agency
Northwest Tennessee Human Resource Agency
South Central Tennessee Development District
Southeast Tennessee Human Resource Agency
Southwest Human Resource Agency
Upper Cumberland Human Resource Agency

MOTOR FREIGHT

The motor freight industry in Tennessee handles even the most specialized needs of business and industry. Shippers can choose from among many options to find the ideal service to meet their unique needs. Motor freight terminals (153) are located in 37 Tennessee towns. Truck size and weight limits in Tennessee are typical of most states.

SIZE AND WEIGHT LIMITS FOR TRUCKS

TYPE Height (Overall) Width (Overall)	LIMIT 13' 6" (4.1m) 8' 6" (2.6m) (a)		
Axle weight ¹			
Straight truck			
Steering axle	20,000 pounds (9,072 kg)		
Single drive axle	20,000 pounds (9,072 kg)		
Tandem drive axle	34,000 pounds (15,422 kg)		
Tractor trailer combination ²			
Steering axle	20,000 pounds (9,072 kg)		
Single drive axle	20,000 pounds (9,072 kg)		
Tandem drive axle	34,000 pounds (15,422 kg)		
Single trailer axle	20,000 pounds (9,072 kg)		
Tandem trailer axle	34,000 pounds (15,422 kg)		

Note: Data are meant to give basic information pertaining to the trucking rules in Tennessee.

They are not meant to provide all the requirements. For further information, contact:

Tennessee Department of Safety, Motor Vehicle Enforcement, (615) 251-5197

SOURCE: Tennessee Department of Safety, Commercial Vehicle Enforcement.

MOTOR FREIGHT TERMINALS

		Number of			Number of
City	County	Terminals	City	County	Terminals
Athens	McMinn	1	Lewisburg	Marshall	1
Blountville	Sullivan	1	Lexington	Henderson	1
Carthage	Smith	1	Maryville	Blount	1
Centerville	Hickman	1	Memphis	Shelby	32
Chattanooga	Hamilton	16	Milan	Gibson	1
Cleveland	Bradley	3	Morristown	Hamblen	5
Columbia	Maury	1	Murfreesboro	Rutherford	3
Cookeville	Putnam	6	McMinnville	Warren	2
Dayton	Rhea	1	Nashville	Davidson	26
Dresden	Weakley	2	Oak Ridge	Anderson	1
Dyersburg	Dyer	3	Paris	Henry	2
Gallatin	Sumner	2	Portland	Sumner	2
Jackson	Madison	7	Pulaski	Giles	1
Johnson City	Washington	1	Savannah	Hardin	1
Kingsport	Sullivan	9	Shelbyville	Bedford	2
Knoxville	Knox	10	Sparta	White	2
LaGrange	Fayette	1	Springfield	Robertson	1
Lawrenceburg	Lawrence	2	Union City	Obion	1
Lebanon	Wilson	1	·		

¹Split axles, 20,000 pounds (9,072 kg) each if independent suspended, otherwise 34,000 pounds (15,422 kg) if suspended together.

² Maximum gross 80,000 pounds (36,288 kg).

a. There is no length limit for tractor trailer combinations; however, any trailer exceeding 50' may not exceed 41' (12.5 m) in length from the point of attachment to the center of axle or axle group. Twin trailers may not exceed 28'6" (8.5 m) in length. Trailers may not exceed 50' (15.55 m) from point of attachment to the end of trailer or load.